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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
APPALOOSA WATER COMPANY FOR
APPROVAL OF A RATE CASE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. W-03443A-15-0271

**REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE STAFF REPORT**

Utilities Division ("Staff") of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") requests a two-week extension, or until December 28, 2015, to file its Staff Report. The bases for Staff's request are set forth below.

Appaloosa Water Company Corporation ("Appaloosa" or "Company") filed an Application for a Rate Increase ("Application") on July 28, 2015. On September 29, 2015, Staff issued its Letter of Sufficiency pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.") R14-2-103.B.11.b.iv and classified the Company as a Class D water utility. In accordance with R14-2-103.B.11.b.iv, the Staff Report in this matter is scheduled to be docketed on or about December 13, 2015.

On October 1, 2015, Staff's First Set of Data Requests ("DR-1") was sent to Appaloosa via email and Certified Mail, the latter of which was signed for by Company representative, Joe Cordovana, on October 6, 2015. Pursuant to the cover letter accompanying DR-1, responses were due from the Company within ten calendar days of receipt. Therefore, Appaloosa's responses were due to be received by Staff on October 11, 2015, based on the email date of October 1, 2015.¹

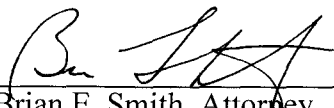
Staff's Christine Payne is assigned to this matter. When the Company's responses to DR-1 were not timely received, Ms. Payne repeatedly called and emailed the Company in an effort to obtain same. These attempts proved unsuccessful and Appaloosa's responses were not received by the Commission's Legal Division until November 3, 2015, or 22 days late. The responses were

¹ Given that October 11, 2015, was a Sunday, the actual due date for the DR-1 responses was October 12, 2015.

1 thereafter forwarded to Ms. Payne on November 4, 2015.² At no time did the Company ever contact
2 Staff to request an extension of time to file its responses.

3 Due to her extensive workload and the 22 day delay in receiving Appaloosa's responses to
4 DR-1, Ms. Payne is unable to meet the December 13, 2015, deadline for docketing of the Staff
5 Report. As a result, Staff requests a two-week extension, or until December 28, 2015, in which to file
6 its Staff Report. Ms. Payne has advised that, had the responses been timely filed by October 12,
7 2015, the Staff Report could have been timely prepared and docketed. Staff submits that it does not
8 believe such extension will affect the Commission's ability to timely render its decision in this matter
9 which is due on or before March 27, 2016.

10 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 6th day of November 2015.

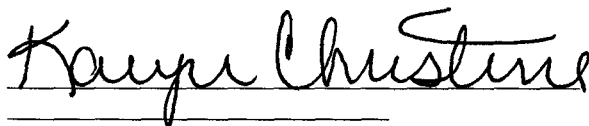
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28 ² The October 1, 2015, cover letter accompanying DR-1 instructed the Company to provide the requested data "directly to each of the following addressees via overnight delivery services... Christine Payne....[and undersigned counsel.]"